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## **MEMORANDUM**

DATE:

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TO:

All Medicaid-Certified Dental Providers

FROM:

Peggy L. Bartels, Administrator

Division of Health Care Financing

SUBJECT: Part B Dental Handbook Replacement

## l. Introduction

The purpose of this mailing is to provide you with a new Part B Dental handbook, which incorporates the most recent Wisconsin Medicaid Updates, clarifies existing policy, and separates sections with tabs for easier use.

## II. Part B Provider Handbook Replacement

Enclosed you will find a replacement for your Part B Dental Handbook. This handbook takes the place of the current handbook. Following is an overview of the revised information.

- Sealants: This handbook reasserts that sealants no longer require a HealthCheck referral.
- · Tabs: The dental handbook is now separated into sections by tabs, making it easier to use.
- New prior authorization forms: Wisconsin Medicaid has revised its prior authorization forms, considering provider input and common reasons prior authorization request forms were returned to providers.
- Tables: Tables, particularly the tables that identify Medicaid coverage by procedure code (Appendix
   5.2), have been redesigned for easier use.
- Improved language: Some areas of this handbook have been rewritten for clarity.

## III. The Part B Dental Handbook Replacement Includes Information From Past Updates This new handbook includes information that was previously sent in updates. Please throw away all updates issued before August 1, 1998.

If you have questions about any of the policy, billing, or prior authorization requirements referred to in this memo, please call the Medicaid fiscal agent Correspondence Unit at (608) 221-9883 or (800) 947-9627.

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